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FOR: IONIC LIQUIDS AS SOLVENTS IN HEADSPACE GAS  
CHROMATOGRAPHY

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

The Office Action of March 18, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 18, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1050 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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